## SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MANAGING SYSTEM CONFIGURATION ACROSS A NETWORK

## <u>ABSTRACT</u>

A system and method are provided for determining whether to provide a software program update to one of a plurality of client processors. Each client processor has a copy of at least one of a plurality of client software programs. A respective set of system configuration attributes are sent from each client processor and stored in an administration server processor. Each set of system configuration attributes is transmitted to a selection server processor. A respective update recognizer program and software program update corresponding to each respective one of the plurality of client software programs are next sent to the administration server processor. Each client processor executes at least one of the update recognizer programs to issue a notification indicating whether the corresponding software program update is applicable. The administration server processor receives the respective notification from each client processor and transmits the software program update.